

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Tom Rooney (FL-16) today cosponsored a resolution calling for a special prosecutor to investigate Operation Fast and Furious, the botched Justice Department gun-running program that lost track of more than 1,800 weapons, including the gun used to kill U.S. Border Patrol Agent Brian Terry.

“Over the last year, Attorney General Eric Holder and other Justice Department officials have used every tool at their disposal to withhold necessary information, avoid answering tough questions, and conceal their apparent culpability in Operation Fast and Furious.

“Since Attorney General Holder will not fully cooperate with ongoing Congressional inquiries, we need to appoint a special prosecutor to complete a thorough, independent investigation and determine who authorized this disastrous program, who knew about it, and when. President Obama needs to appoint a special prosecutor so that we can hold the responsible individuals accountable for their actions and ensure that this doesn’t happen again.”

The resolution, H. Res. 532, was introduced by Rep. Ben Quayle (AZ-03). It expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that the President of the United States should appoint a special counsel to investigate Operation Fast and Furious and the Attorney General's knowledge and management of Operation Fast and Furious.

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